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PRESS RELEASE

PHILADELPHIA – United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan today announced the filing of a seven-count indictment¹ charging **RAKAHN BURTON, a/k/a “RAK,” a/k/a “RAKHAN BURTON,” and TYREE T. BARNWELL** with conspiracy to distribute cocaine base (“crack”) and four counts of distribution of cocaine base (“crack”). Further, **RAKAHN BURTON** is charged with possession with intent to distribute crack, and possession with intent to distribute crack within 1,000 feet of Abraham Lincoln High School in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT(S)

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Rakahn Burton	Philadelphia, PA	26 years old
Tyree T. Barnwell	Philadelphia, PA	24 years old

If convicted, Burton faces life imprisonment with a mandatory minimum of 20 years imprisonment, a \$30,000,000 fine, lifetime supervised release with a mandatory minimum of 20 years supervised release, and a \$700 special assessment. If convicted, Barnwell faces life imprisonment with a mandatory minimum of 10 years imprisonment, an \$18,000,000 fine, lifetime supervised release with a mandatory minimum of 5 years supervised release, and a \$500 special assessment.

¹ An indictment or information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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The case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Philadelphia Police Department, and the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, and has been assigned to Assistant United States Attorney Jessica Natali.

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